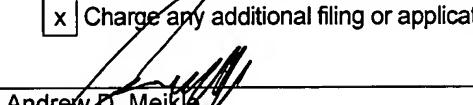




| AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER   |  |   |                                   | Docket No.<br>1403-0258P |
|--|--|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Application No.<br>10/706,044-Conf. #7114  | Filing Date<br>November 13, 2003       | Examiner<br>S. D. Maki                  | Art Unit<br>1733                  |                          |
| Applicant(s): Hirotoshi OTSUKI   |  |   |                                   |                          |
| Invention: PNEUMATIC TIRE  |  |   |                                   |                          |
| <b>MS RCE</b><br><b>Commissioner for Patents</b><br><b>P.O. Box 1450</b><br><b>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</b>   |  |   |                                   |                          |
| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  |  |   |                                   |                          |
| The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.   |  |   |                                   |                          |
| CLAIMS AS AMENDED  |  |   |                                   |                          |
|  | Claims Remaining<br>After<br>Amendment | Highest<br>Number<br>Previously<br>Paid | Number<br>Extra Claims<br>Present | Rate                     |
| Total Claims   | 8                                      | - 20 =                                  |                                   | x                        |
| Independent<br>Claims  | 1                                      | - 3 =                                   |                                   | x                        |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>   |  |   |                                   |                          |
| Other fee (please specify): Request for continued examination (RCE) (see 37 CFR 1.114); Extension for response within second month   |  |   |                                   | 1,240.00                 |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>  |  |   |                                   | 1,240.00                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Entity <input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity   |  |   |                                   |                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for this amendment.   |  |   |                                   |                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. <u>02-2448</u> in the amount of \$ _____.<br>A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  |  |   |                                   |                          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <u>1,240.00</u> is enclosed.   |  |   |                                   |                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.  |  |   |                                   |                          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. <u>02-2448</u><br>as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. |  |   |                                   |                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayment.   |  |   |                                   |                          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.   |  |   |                                   |                          |
| <br>Dated: <u>May 12, 2006</u>  |  |   |                                   |                          |
| Andrew D. Meikle<br>Attorney Reg. No.: 32,868  |  |   |                                   |                          |
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**FEETRANSMITTAL**  
**For FY 2005**

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

|                         |      |          |
|-------------------------|------|----------|
| TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT | (\$) | 1,240.00 |
|-------------------------|------|----------|

| <b>Complete if Known</b> |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Application Number       | 10/706,044-Conf. #7114 |
| Filing Date              | November 13, 2003      |
| First Named Inventor     | Hirotoshi OTSUKI       |
| Examiner Name            | S. D. Maki             |
| Art Unit                 | 1733                   |
| Attorney Docket No.      | 1403-0258P             |

**METHOD OF PAYMENT** (check all that apply)

Check  Credit Card  Money Order  None  Other (please identify): \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit Account Deposit Account Number: 02-2448 Deposit Account Name: Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch, LLP

For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

Charge fee(s) indicated below  Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee

Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayment of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17  Credit any overpayments

**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

| <u>Application Type</u> | <u>FILING FEES</u> |                     | <u>SEARCH FEES</u> |                     | <u>EXAMINATION FEES</u> |                     | <u>Fees Paid (\$)</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
|                         | <u>Fee (\$)</u>    | <u>Small Entity</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u>    | <u>Small Entity</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u>         | <u>Small Entity</u> |                       |
| Utility                 | 300                | 150                 | 500                | 250                 | 200                     | 100                 |                       |
| Design                  | 200                | 100                 | 100                | 50                  | 130                     | 65                  |                       |
| Plant                   | 200                | 100                 | 300                | 150                 | 160                     | 80                  |                       |
| Reissue                 | 300                | 150                 | 500                | 250                 | 600                     | 300                 |                       |
| Provisional             | 200                | 100                 | 0                  | 0                   | 0                       | 0                   |                       |

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

| <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Small Entity</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| 50              | 25                  |

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

|     |     |
|-----|-----|
| 200 | 100 |
|-----|-----|

Multiple dependent claims

|     |     |
|-----|-----|
| 360 | 180 |
|-----|-----|

| <u>Total Claims</u> | <u>Extra Claims</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> | <u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>     |
|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 8                   | - 20 =              | x               | =                    | <u>Fee (\$)</u> <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> |
| 1                   | - 3 =               | x               | =                    | _____                                |

**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

| <u>Total Sheets</u> | <u>Extra Sheets</u> | <u>Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof</u> | <u>Fee (\$)</u> | <u>Fee Paid (\$)</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------|---|-----------------|----------------------|
| _____               | - 100 =             | /50 (round up to a whole number) x                      | _____           | _____                |

**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

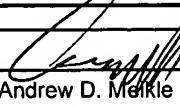
Fees Paid (\$)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 1801 Request for continued examination (RCE) (see 37 ...

790.00

1252 Extension for response within second month

450.00

| <u>SUBMITTED BY</u> |   | <u>Registration No.</u><br>(Attorney/Agent) | <u>Telephone</u> |
|---------------------|---|---|------------------|
| Signature           |  | 32,868                                      | (703) 205-8000   |
| Name (Print/Type)   | Andrew D. Melkie  | Date  | May 12, 2006     |